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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549 FORM 8-K CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of

April 1, 2008

Report (Date of earliest event

reported):

DELPHI FINANCIAL GROUP, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 001-11462 13-3427277

(State or other jurisdiction (Commission (IRS Employer of incorporation) File Number) Identification No.)

1105 North Market Street, Suite 1230, P.O. Box 8985, Wilmington, DE

(Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code <u>302-478-5142</u>

Not Applicable

(ZIP Code)

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)

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Item 5.02. Departure of Directors or Principal Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Principal Officers Pursuant to the succession plan for the senior management of the Registrant s subsidiary, Safety National Casualty Corporation (SNCC), previously announced by the Registrant, Harold F. Ilg retired from the position of Chairman of SNCC, effective April 1, 2008. Concurrently with such retirement, Mr. Ilg was appointed Executive Vice President, Business Development, of the Registrant and was named Chairman Emeritus of SNCC. Mr. Ilg will continue to serve as a member of the Registrant s Board of Directors.

Item 8.01 Other Events

Pursuant to the succession plan for the senior management of SNCC previously announced by the Registrant, Terrence T. Schoeninger was appointed as the Chairman of SNCC, effective April 1, 2008. Mr. Schoeninger will continue to serve as the Chief Executive Officer of SNCC.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

DELPHI FINANCIAL GROUP, INC.

/s/ ROBERT ROSENKRANZ Robert Rosenkranz Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer (Principal Executive Officer)

Date: April 4, 2008